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SUBJECT: REPLY TO MFA NOTE ON EMBASSY COMPOUND

REFS: A) VIENTIANE 4697; B) VIENTIANE 4689

WE APPROVE LINE YOU PROPOSE TO TAKE IN DISCUSSION WITH SOUBANH AND IN SUBSEQUENT NOTE, PER PARA 3, REF A. YOU SHOULD, HOWEVER, INCLUDE IN BOTH AN EXPLICIT REJECTION OF STATEMENTS IN MFA NOTE THAT THROUGH ITS AID PROGRAMS U.S. HAS CONDUCTED "WAR OF AGGRESSION AGAINST LAOS" AND "ABUSED" ITS PRIVILEGES AND IMMUNITIES. YOU SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT OUR ECONOMIC AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE WAS PROVIDED IN AGREEMENT WITH THE DULY CONSTITUTED GOVERNMENT OF LAOS AT ALL TIMES. WE DO NOT EXPECT THIS REBUTTAL TO CHANGE THEIR MINDS, AND IT DOES NOT NEED TO BE DEBATED, BUT IT SHOULD BE SAID TO KEEP THE RECORD STRAIGHT. KISSINGER

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